**Boys Hostel**

An incomplete proposal for construction of one Boys Hostel at Babu Jagjivan Ram Pratisthan, Idar, Sabarkantha was received from the Government of Gujarat during 2005-06. Necessary documents are awaited from the Government of Gujarat.

**Registration of NGOs**

2081. SHRI GANDHI AZAD: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to State:

(a) the number of letters received from VIPs/NGOs/Welfare Associations for registration between 1st August, 2004 to date;

(b) the number of requests considered and those rejected;

(c) the names of SC/ST and Physically Handicapped Welfare Associations from whom requests were received between 29th December, 2004 to date;

(d) the details of action taken and reply sent to the concerned; and

(e) by when action on remaining will be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) to (e) This Ministry releases grants in aid to the NGOs to implement schemes/programmes for welfare of Scheduled Castes, Other Backward Classes, persons with disabilities, elderly persons and victims of alcoholism and substance abuse. However, no system is in vogue for registration of NGOs.

**Status of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Foundation**

2082. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the status of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Foundation under the administrative control of her Ministry;

(b) the details of present activities of the foundation;

(c) the present status of National Memorial of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar at New Delhi; and